(b) if so, the details of recommendations made and the decisions taken thereon;

(c) whether Government propose to extend these recommendations to members of CSSS, specially regarding revision of pay scales;

(d) what is the time taken members of CSSS in promotion from one grade to another;

(e) whether Government propose to take any steps for removal of their stagnation *vis-a-vis* CSS grades; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Committee has made several recommendations to remove the stagnation in CSS. However, no final decision has been taken on these recommendations. The recommendations of the Committee do not apply to the members of CSSS.

(d) to (f) Government has already taken a number of steps to ease the stagnation in CSSS. Presently, PPS, PS, PA and Steno Grade 'D' are getting their next promotion (Select List) after about 6, 15, 11 and 19 years respectively.

Meeting of Departmental Council (JCM) of DoPT

4615. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2112 given in Rajya Sabha on the 9th August, 2001 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that despite submission of agenda for 56th Meeting a long back, no meeting of the Departmental Council (JCM) of Department of Personnel and Traning has been held, so far;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the steps taken to remove the impediments;

(c) whether the demands raised/proposed to be considered in this meeting have been departmentally examined;

(d) if so, the result of such examination; and

(e) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to convene the meeting forthwith and timely meetings in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE, IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) Though the agenda for the meeting of the Departmental Council has been received, it has not been possible to hold the meeting so far, for various reasons, *inter-alia*, reconstitution of the Departmental Council based on the fresh nominations, after the concerned Associations conducted their annual elections.

(c) to (e) The demands raised by the staff side have been processed and decisions thereon will be taken after discussions in the next meeting, which will be held in near future.

Recommendation of committee for CSS cadre restructure

4616. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:
SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Departmental Committee constituted to review cadre structure of Central Secretariat Service has since submitted its report;

(b) if so, the details of the recommendations made therein;

(c) whether Government have assessed impact of the recommendations on stagnation of officers in various categories particularly Grade-I/Selection Grade and Senior Selection Grade during the next four to six years; and

(d) if so, how many Grade-I officers of select list 1987 to 1990 are likely to be included in the select list of selection Grade Officers/ Directors by July 2004 who have already rendered nearly 14 years of approved Group 'A' Service?